

**Amendments to the Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A method of forming an insulated duct assembly comprising:

wrapping a first elongated duct with an insulation blanket having first and second edges, the insulation blanket having an inner wicking layer which is in direct contact with said air duct surface;

inserting a portion of said inner wicking layer into the interior of said elongated duct; and

adhering a tape layer to the outer surface of said insulation blanket near said first edge;

adhering a tape ~~taper~~ layer to the outer surface of said insulation blanket near the second edge of the insulation blanket; the tape layer being disposed along ~~the a~~ a seam of said insulation blanket.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said portion of said inner wicking layer extends into the interior of said duct through a joint in a first section of said elongated air duct and a joint in a second section of said elongated air duct.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said joints of said duct are zippered joints.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said portion of said inner wicking layer extends into the interior of said duct through a joint in said elongated air duct and a joint in a second elongated air duct.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said elongated duct extends

longitudinally.

6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein said portion of said inner wicking layer extends into the interior of said duct longitudinally along said duct.

7. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein said portion of said inner wicking layer extends into the interior of said duct perpendicular to the duct.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said inner wicking layer extends through said air duct in intervals of about four feet.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the insulation blanket further comprises an outer kraft layer.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, ~~herein~~ wherein the insulation blanket further comprises an outer foil surface.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the insulation blanket further comprises a facing material having vapor retarding properties.

12. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein said facing material comprises a polymeric facing material.

13. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein said facing material comprises a composite facing material.

14. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said duct is constructed of metal.